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Inventor: Zhigang Rong

Title: APPARATUS, AND ASSOCIATED METHOD, FOR

FACILITATING RESOURCE ALLOCATION IN A

COMMUNICATION SYSTEM

Enclosed please find:

Amendment and Response Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. 1.111;

Appendix including two sheets of annotated drawings; and

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